



My flying machine was out of order

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Abstract:

Why did the founders of this organization-which was established in 1884 as the American Climatological Association-want to study climatology and respiratory diseases? In particular, where did the idea of treating tuberculosis with pure air and sunlight come from? How effective was this treatment for a disease that in 1880 afflicted a third of the population of Colorado? Why did this Association not acknowledge technological advances such as weather forecasting or large 20(th) century population movements? This paper seeks to answer those questions in order to inform the Association's possible study of the effects of global climate change on human health, an issue that is arguably comparable to what the founders faced. Recent governmental reports suggest that the medical and health care communities have not yet become engaged. If the ACCA does not, then who will?

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Resource Description

Communication: ☒

resource focus on research or methods on how to communicate or frame issues on climate change; surveys of attitudes, knowledge, beliefs about climate change

A focus of content

Communication Audience: ☒

audience to whom the resource is directed

Researcher

Exposure : ☒

weather or climate related pathway by which climate change affects health

Unspecified Exposure

Geographic Feature: ☒

resource focuses on specific type of geography

None or Unspecified

Climate Change and Human Health Literature Portal

Geographic Location:

resource focuses on specific location

Global or Unspecified

Health Impact:

specification of health effect or disease related to climate change exposure

General Health Impact

Medical Community Engagement:

resource focus on how the medical community discusses or acts to address health impacts of climate change

A focus of content

Mitigation/Adaptation:

mitigation or adaptation strategy is a focus of resource

Adaptation

Resource Type:

format or standard characteristic of resource

Review

Timescale:

time period studied

Time Scale Unspecified